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Jayce Rosario receives a red fireman's helmet from Limerick firefighters at Libby and Son U-Pick's Fall open house. (See related story on Page 2.) PHOTO BY C.J. PIKE

Maine in Stage 4 of reopening

Beginning Oct. 13, indoor seating limits are increased, enforcement of face coverings is strengthened statewide

The Mills Administration has announced that Maine will move into Stage 4 of the Plan to Restart Maine's Economy beginning Tuesday, Oct. 13. With cold weather months approaching, Stage 4 increases limits on indoor seating to 50 percent capacity of permitted occupancy, or 100 people – whichever is less – and maintains the critical public health measures outlined in COVID-19 Prevention Checklists, such as enhanced cleaning practices and physical distancing. Today's Executive Order also further strengthens the State's face covering mandate by requiring that a broader set of entities, such as private schools and municipal buildings, ensure that employees and people in their buildings adhere to this critical health measure. The Order also expands the scope of the enforcement statewide, rather than in just Maine's coastal counties and more populous cities.

The progression into Stage 4 comes as Maine, adjusted for population, continues to lead the nation on key metrics for COVID-19 response, including having the lowest hospitalizations, second lowest new cases, and fourth lowest deaths.

"With winter weather approaching, we must support businesses across the state as outdoor service becomes less viable and people move inside. This expanded capacity, along with continued health and safety precautions, is a prudent step forward that balances public health and economic health," said Governor Janet Mills. "These adjustments, however, should not lure us into a false sense of security. This virus is still very much with us all across the state and wearing a face covering, staying six feet apart, avoiding large gatherings, and washing our hands often is key to keeping Maine schools and businesses open and keeping Maine people healthy."

As of Oct. 13 businesses and

organizations that serve people through seated activities – such as indoor dining, religious gatherings, and movie theaters – are permitted to operate at 50 percent of their capacity, with a maximum of 100 people. Updated COVID-19 Checklists for these businesses and organizations are posted on the Department of Economic and Community Development's website. Appropriate health and safety protocols, such as enhanced cleaning practices and the requirement to maintain six feet of distance between seating areas, remain in full effect.

To arrive at this adjustment, the Administration worked closely with the Portland Regional, Lewiston-Auburn Metropolitan, and Bangor Region Chambers of Commerce, as well as the Visit Portland and Visit Bangor Regional Convention and Visitor Bureaus. The Chambers worked with their restaurant member teams to solicit feedback, of which the primary ask was to be able to operate at 50 percent capacity.

For non-seated indoor activities, such as physical activity in gyms, the limit remains at 50. The outdoor gathering limit remains at 100 people. Retailers remain subject to the occupancy limit of 5 people per 1,000 square feet of shopping space.

Stage 4 also anticipates a reopening date for indoor service for bars and tasting rooms of Monday, Nov. 2. To reopen for indoor service, these establishments must abide by the newly-posted COVID-19 Prevention Checklist for seated food and drink service, which is an update to the restaurant checklist.

Governor Mills also expanded her Executive Order requiring certain businesses to enforce the State's face covering requirement. During the summer months, the enforcement mandate was required only in Maine's coastal counties and more populous cities. It is now required statewide.

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Newfield library nominated for federal award

By C.J. PIKE

The Newfield Library has been nominated for the Institute for Museum and Library Services award for 2021, by Senator Angus King's office, according to Librarian Cheryl Cause.

The entry process is quite extensive as there is a 13-page form, and four sections of an essay that Cause will have to fill out. She will also need three letters from community members.

This is a federal organization, which was started in 1994 and gives out grant money "to foster lifelong learning and cultural and civic engagement."

Cause is pleased to say that this is the highest honor in the country for institutions such as libraries and museums; and the committee will name 15 library finalists and 15 museum finalists, before the winners will be announced in the spring of 2021. Six winners will receive a medal and a monetary award.

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NATIVE PLANT SPOTLIGHT:



Closed Bottle Gentian
(*Gentiana andrewsii*)

This native Closed Bottle Gentian is a fascinating flower. Its blooms remain tightly closed throughout its flowering season. Bumblebees work extremely hard to get to the nectar inside. It looks excruciatingly difficult, but they manage to pry those closed petals apart enough to get inside. When the bee leaves, the corolla clasps closed again. Because it's hard work, and requires a certain amount of strength to get inside, not all insects can do it. The deep, dark purple color contrasts beautifully with the greens of late summer, and then later, complements the yellows and oranges of fall. PHOTO AND INFO BY DEBBIE BRODERICK

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Lt. Ron Smith shows us the off-road EMS vehicle.



Owners of Libby & Son U-Picks in Limerick, Allison and Aaron Libby, along with Meghan Harriman, right, greeted guests at their Fall open house this past weekend.

Local u-pick celebrates fall

By C.J. PIKE

Libby and Son U-picks held their first fall open house on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 10 and 11, with plenty of activities, food, apple picking and music.

Owners Aaron and Allison Libby greeted visitors and talked about the days' events. Meghan Harriman helped out, along with many others, such as parking lot and apple booth attendants.

Aaron Libby said that they expect to get about 1,000 visitors a day and everything was ready to go. They had apple smoothies, hot dogs, donuts, wood fired pizza, and even craft beer. Music was provided by Kris Hype, playing the oldies on his guitar, and there were transport shuttles ready to take people up the mountain to do some apple picking. Batman (and Batgirl) was there showing his many tools that he uses with his costume and doing 'photo ops' with the kids.

Lt. Ron Smith and members of the Limerick Fire Department were there giving out fireman's helmets to the children and raising money for the Walk for Warmth heating assistance program. They also gave demonstrations on smoke detectors and fire extinguishers to the kids.

It was a very festive event, families enjoyed the day and children had fun on the fire truck and talking to Batman.

Aleyxa Reekie, volunteer for both Limerick and Newfield was there helping out; and Captain Tim Smarella, Assistant Chief Robert Fossett, EMT Captain Jessica Hutchins, EMT Christina Violette, Lt. Bill Gifford and Lt. Ron Smith all volunteered during the weekend. They raised over \$3,000 towards the "Walk for Warmth"

The fire department was invited by the Libby family to bring a fire truck and an off-road EMS. Libby said that he hopes to be able to donate a check to the fund, as well. There were \$2,000 worth of raffle prizes donated from local businesses." (See related photo on Page 1).



Matthew Sawyer poses with the giant carved pumpkin
PHOTOS BY C.J. PIKE

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Each month we'll choose a play and meet on ZOOM to talk about it. We'll meet three times and discuss three fabulous plays. Executive Artistic Director Christopher Schario will be the moderator and Professor Martin Andrucki of Bates College will provide insights and suggestions for discussion.

PLAY Club members will be responsible for acquiring and reading all scripts prior to each meeting. We recommend you sign up quickly as group size will be limited to ensure great conversations. If demand is high we may consider adding a second group.

The first play we'll discuss in October will be the Pulitzer Prize and 2012 TONY award winning play *Clybourne Park*.

Inspired by Lorraine Hansberry's groundbreaking 1959 play, *A Raisin in the Sun*, *Clybourne Park* is set in two different eras, with conversations happening in the same house fifty years apart. Act One takes place in 1959, when a white couple unknowingly sells

their home to the first black family in the neighborhood (the same neighborhood mentioned in *A Raisin in the Sun*) and their neighbors want them to stop the sale. In Act Two, it's 2009, and the same property is being bought by a young white couple, and the now predominantly African-American neighborhood battles to hold its ground in the face of gentrification. Excruciatingly funny, thought-provoking and squirm-inducing, there's a reason this play won the Pulitzer Prize!

Both *Clybourne Park* and *A Raisin in the Sun* are easily available for purchase online. It is not necessary to read *A Raisin in the Sun*, but we suggest it. We will provide a synopsis of *Raisin in the Sun* to those who sign up for the Club.

At the end of the October meeting we will suggest four plays for the remaining two sessions. Those in attendance at the October meeting will vote on which two plays we will read for January and March.

WHEN:

Wed, Oct. 28, 7-8:30 p.m.

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LIBRARY

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In related news, the Halloween raffle is still going on at the library. Rock Haven Basket Company has donated a nice Halloween Basket full of goodies to be raffled off at the Newfield Library. Tickets are only \$1 each, six for \$5 or 13 for \$10. The drawing will be on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

To buy raffle tickets, put your money into an envelope with your name and phone number into the library book drop and Librarian Cheryl Cause will fill out the raffle tickets for you. For more information call 809-7014.

Happy birthday!

Birthday wishes go to: Sarah Volkay and Mary Ritchie; and Jack and Jethra Guzman.

Meetings

Newfield Selectmen will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at the West Newfield Town Hall, at 23 So. Effingham Road at 6 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop #329 will have a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 6:30 p.m. New members always welcome. Jim Dion is the Scoutmaster.

REOPENING PLAN

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The Governor also broadened the Order to make clear that places, such as private schools and local government buildings, must join restaurants, lodging, and retail establishments in having their employees and clients' wear face coverings. Face coverings have been proven to significantly reduce the spread of COVID-19.

"Led by Governor Mills, we adjust daily our balance between protecting Maine's residents from this deadly disease and increasing safe reentry into businesses, schools, and other parts of pre-COVID life," said Jeanne Lambrew, Commissioner of Health and Human Services. "Stage 4 has been made possible by focusing on science and by the hard work and common sense of Maine people."

"We recognize that winter capacity is critical to Maine businesses and want to ensure that we find alternatives that support both businesses while protecting public health," said Heather Johnson, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development. "We will continue to review creative options for other sectors as we move in to Stage 4."

"Face coverings, physical distancing, frequent handwashing, and avoiding non-essential gatherings remain the best ways for all Maine people to protect themselves and their communities," said Dr. Nirav D. Shah, Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention. "Continued adherence to these sci-

ence-based safety protocols, and getting your flu shots now, will help us limit potential spread of the virus during this next stage."

Businesses that violate the Governor's Executive Orders are subject to enforcement, including possible fines and loss of licenses. To date, state officials have issued fines — in one instance nearly \$20,000 — and more than two dozen imminent health hazard warnings to organizations that have not abided by the health and safety measures meant to protect their employees, customers and clients.

In April, Governor Mills issued her Plan to Restart Maine's Economy to gradually ease restrictions on some businesses and activities while also implementing protective protocols, along with broader additional health and safety measures, to protect Maine people. Since then, Maine has reopened the vast majority of its economy while maintaining one of the lowest national rates of COVID-19 transmission. Stage 4, which Maine will enter in a week, lifts some restrictions and allows all businesses and activities to resume with appropriate safety precautions.

As of Oct. 3, 2020, Maine, adjusted for population, ranked 2nd lowest in the nation in terms of positive cases; 4th lowest in the nation in terms of deaths; the lowest in terms of patients ever-hospitalized out of the 36 states reporting; and 9th highest in the percentage of people who have recovered out of the 45 states reporting.

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A note from the Town Administrator on absentee voting

In-person absentee ballot voting has begun at Waterboro Town Hall. There are four voting booths set up in the lobby properly physically distanced so voters can vote now. In addition, the town is mailing out over 1,000 requested absentee ballots so voters can vote at home at their convenience and then return the ballots before the polls close on Nov 3. They will all be mailed out before Friday, Oct. 16. Voters can also come into town hall and pick up a ballot to take home and return before 8 p.m. on Nov. 3 .

If there is a line of early voters at town hall waiting for an empty booth, voters will wait in the meeting room socially distanced and staff will direct them to an empty booth when available.

Waterboro now has over 5,400 registered voters. Even with the large absentee ballot contingent in process, voting is expected to be heavy on the evening of Nov 3. If you intend to vote in person Nov. 3 it is recommended you try and vote before 4 p.m. to avoid long lines.

— Gary Lamb, Waterboro Town Administrator

WFD videos for kids

Since COVID has everything turned upside down right now, members of the Waterboro Fire Department are working on a YouTube channel with videos for kids. “We are trying to put together videos with material we would typically teach in the schools and daycares,” said a post on their Facebook page. They are aiming for fire safety, a station tour, and hoping to do some book readings.

A couple of videos have already been uploaded with more in the works. If you have any content ideas send them to the fire station. The YouTube channel can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXeQzBcBXI-1nzfwtwtjWOg>.

Note from Little Ossipee Lake dam manager

The Little Ossipee Lake Dam is being adjusted to its 5-year three foot lower level. The goal is to lower the lake by 3 feet (measured at the Dam) this will allow for shoreland repairs that may be needed. Three feet at the dam could mean 3 to 5 feet of shore being exposed. Also this process is a goal as the weather can affect the outcome greatly. Dam updates are posted on Lake Life Little Ossipee & Little Ossipee Lake Facebook pages.

According to the Little Ossipee Lake Water Management Ordinance, the water level of Little Ossipee Lake in the summer until Oct. 15 of each year will be maintained at six feet six inches (6’6”) at which point the gates will be adjusted to obtain a four feet six inches (4’6”) level until ice out in the spring. The winter level will be lowered another foot to three feet six inches (3’6”) every five years starting with the year 2000 to allow for shoreland repairs. On these years the lowering will start Oct. 1. On the following Jan. 1, the gates will be adjusted to the four feet six inches (4’6”) until ice out in the spring.

— Christopher V. Brassard Dam Manager

Selectmens meetings

Selectmen meetings are now held on the first and third Tuesday each month. Due to Election Day, Selectmen Meetings in November will be Nov. 10 and 17



20 years of service

With the postponement of their annual banquet, the Goodwin Mills Fire -Rescue Department is recognizing their 2019 award winners during Fire Prevention Week. Former Lt. TJ Roma was recognized for 20 years of service. FF Roma first got involved in the department to meet people when he and his young family moved to Dayton. FF Roma no longer goes into burning buildings, but he is more than happy to help with projects around the station, or help out on the scene in other ways. COURTESY PHOTO

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PUBLIC NOTICE – TOWN OF LYMAN ABSENTEE BALLOTS AVAILABLE

You may request an absentee ballot until Oct. 29th:
• online at <http://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl>

• in the Town Clerk’s Office during normal business hours.

• call 247-0643 to have a ballot mailed to you. You may **vote absentee** in the Town Clerk’s Office during normal business hours **Oct. 6 through Oct. 30.**

If you are requesting and returning by mail please allow 5-7 days mail time each way.

Vote Absentee on Saturday, Oct. 17th & 24th at the Lyman Town Hall from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Registrar of Voters will also be available.

State Presidential and Municipal Referendum Elections will be held on Nov. 3rd at Lyman Elementary School - 39 School House Road from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. THIS IS A NEW VOTING LOCATION.

VOTER REGISTRATION PLEASE SEE THE REGISTRAR BEFORE ELECTION DAY to avoid long lines.

Registrar of Voters will be available Monday, Wednesday, Friday in October from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The last week of October will be normal Town Hall hours. The Registrar will also be available on Election Day from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to register new voters and correct the voting list. Please bring I.D. and proof of residency with you.

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September fire calls

There were 43 calls in September, which was down from August but we can all be thankful we don't live on the West Coast. The most calls (eight) were for medical transport BLS, meaning staff responding had basic life support training, and 7 calls for medical transport ALS meaning staff responding had advanced life support training. There were 4 mutual aid fires, 3 for fire alarm activation, 5 for medical non transport, 3 for tree, limbs or wires down, 4 for public assistance, 2 for smoke, CO or odor investigation, 1 for (mutual aid) medical, 1 for a lift assist, 1 for a brush woods fire, 1 for a motor vehicle crash, and 2 for a medical code.

Wedding bells

Elizabeth Chapais and Nicholas Michaud were married in Greenwood, Maine on Oct. 10. She is the daughter of Tom and Judy Chapais and is a graduate of the Southern Maine School of Nursing. He is the son of Edward and Nancy Michaud of South Paris. They were married at the Michaud cottage by the lake in Greenwood.

Here and There

Do you know exactly how far apart you are when you social distance? Ask a member of Alfred's Elementary School. If they don't know, it will be surprising. When they returned to school there were numerous horse's hoof prints on the school sidewalks exactly six-feet apart, to remind them.

The Alfred Girl Scouts visited the Alfred Village Museum last week, both upstairs and downstairs. They viewed the collection areas and the large map made by Almon Williams which depicts village homes including small wooden buildings representing outhouses in the rear of those homes. But they most enjoyed the marble tower! Because of the coronavirus the museum had not been opened this summer but groups interested may see it by appointment.

The Treasures Room at the Alfred Transfer Station is closed until further notice.

Project for a dark night

I had told our Bible Study Group that I would show my slides of Palestine when I had time but as we all know, time flies. The evening selected to do it was unfortunately the same time another project was holding forth

in the library. So my first slide show wasn't very well attended. I made another date and meantime the coronavirus arrived. I was told it could not be viewed in Conant Chapel but outside in the parking lot would be fine. People could bring their own chairs, It would work out.

I was doubtful but really had no choice. I had given the slides to someone who would in turn give them to the Jewish Museum. I had thought the museum staff would like to have them. But I borrowed them back.

The slides had originally been part of my great-grandfather's possessions. (Many of my ancestors had a habit of hoarding.) They were actually stereopticon pictures, all numbered nicely with a script. They were kept in the bottom drawer of his desk with the viewer. When my grandmother lived there, and I visited, I would pull open the drawer, sit on the floor and view the pictures with the viewer. That was many years ago. Thinking one day about those pictures I wondered what had happened to

them. I called my Cousin Dorothy Rose. Did she know where they were? She did indeed. She had them. Could I borrow them? She had no objection. So we traveled to Nashua, N.H. and brought home the slides.

It was interesting to see Palestine as it was in the late 1800's, in my great-grandfather's era. I wondered if they could be transferred to the type of slides of today. I inquired at a camera shop and was told they could take care of that and it would not cost a ton of money. So I had it done. I returned the stereopticon viewer and enjoyed the updated slides. Those were the ones we recently showed in the Conant Chapel parking lot.

I wasn't sure it was dark enough that night to see them but it was. We all had our chairs and my spouse ran the projector. I read the script. The night became much darker. So much so that I had to juggle script, flashlight and speaker and was in danger of dropping my papers while keeping everything organized. The traffic in the village was a marked contrast to

the slides of over 100 years ago, of Palestinian women carrying jugs on their heads or shepherds counting their sheep as somehow they numbered them although the script stated they could neither count nor spell. How did they know if some were missing?

We viewed the "Wailing Wall", the Garden of Gethsemane, women grinding corn by hand, an old Roman bridge on the ancient highway to Damascus, fishermen in Galilee, castles built by the Crusaders. It would be interesting to see the updated version of these scenes which I am sure would be very different from what we viewed. It became very chilly before the 98 piece slide show was over. I was glad to return home to

a cup of hot tea.

The Alfred Historical Society has some stereopticon slides in the museum. I plan to take a look at them. Perhaps they could be reprinted as modern slides which could be more easily viewed by a group. Anyone who has stereopticon slides at home left by a kind ancestor might like also to check to see if the slides have a particular interest and have them reproduced. It isn't an impossible thing to do. But try to show them inside a building! We have many slides of Campobello Island which I plan to show when the Canadian border finally allows us to visit, also of trips we have taken. The nice thing about slides is the fact that they can be shared with a group.

TOWN OF ALFRED ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Monday, October 26, 2020, 6:00pm
Alfred Town Hall, Upstairs meeting room
Masks and social distancing will be required.

The Alfred Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:00 pm to review the Application for Variance Appeal by Seth McCoy. The property is located at 39 Blueberry Hill Road, Tax Map 3, Lot 80-A. The property is located in the rural Residential Zoning District. The application is available for review at the Code Enforcement Office at the Town Hall.

TOWN OF ALFRED PUBLIC HEARING

October 27, 2020
4:00 p.m.

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held at the Alfred Town Hall, County of York, State of Maine at 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 in accordance with Title30, Sec 2451-2460, M.R.S.A. Said hearing being on the 2021 permit applications for the following owners to operate or maintain automobile junkyards/scrap metal yards:

- Daney's Auto Salvage – Swetts Bridge Road
- J&J Auto Salvage – Jordan Springs Road
- Morin Steel – Stone Road
- Airtech Management – Mountain Road
- Roland's Motor Sales, Inc. – Sanford Road
- Jalbert's Auto Sales – Mountain Road

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OPINION

The more you know

What do you know about the place in which you reside? The town, the County or for that matter, even the state in which we live? For example, did you know the town of Acton, incorporated in 1830, took its name from the town of Acton, just west of London just west of London, England? It was first settled as a village in 1776 by a trio from York: Ben Kimens, Clemente Steele and John York.



by
Jon Simonds

The State of Maine was only born on the 15th of March in 1820, some 44 years after the Nation won its independence from the British. It was part of what was known as the Missouri Compromise. In 1820 the United States consisted of only 22 States. 11 of these States were abolitionist States which is to say they were States pushing for an end to slavery. The other 11 States were determined to maintain slavery. Missouri was a parcel of land acquired in the Louisiana Purchase with roots deep in slavery. It wanted admission into the United States. In an effort to maintain an equal amount of States for and against slavery, Maine which initially was part of the State of Massachusetts,

was granted admission to the Union, paving the way for Missouri to gain Statehood. So, while the County of York predates the birth of a Nation it took quite a bit of time before Maine actually became a State of the Union.

Like every State, Maine had to submit and adopt a State Constitution. This Constitution consisted of 10 Articles preceded by a preamble, or an introduction. Section 2 of Article One speaks to the 'power inherent to the people.' It serves to remind us of how our elected officials are determined by the people of Maine and are instituted for the benefit of the people.

Maine is the largest State in New England and is divided into 16 separate counties. York County is the second most populated county in the State and is further divided into 5 separate districts. Each district is represented by a County Commissioner and each Commissioner is an elected official. Together, these County Commissioners appoint a County Manager. If your business minded you might think of our County Commissioners as a sort of Board of Directors, while

the County Manager is the CEO, complete with a hand-picked Chief Financial Officer. Together, this group works with a multi-million dollar a year budget to benefit the County. It's important to note, a County or State, for that matter, is not a business with tangible goods to sell. A Counties budget is only as good as the revenue it raises. If the revenue is good, the services provided by the County are highly beneficial. If revenue is down, services are cut, but how much do we know about the services provided?

In the last fiscal year, York County had a budget of roughly 20 million dollars, half of which entails the expense related to law enforcement. Other expenses involve facilities, the maintenance of computers, District Attorney's office, Emergency Medical Services as well Fire Safety Programs. There are of course employee salaries. There are a horde of individuals offering services and guidance to a public not always aware of the services provided. Peeking at those services in the coming months may just shed some light on how the County does indeed work for you.

Jon Simonds lives in North Waterboro and is the author of "Brooklyn Encounters," a collection of short stories available on Kindle.

ACTON

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Calling all cooks

The Acton Library is in need of your recipes for their new fundraiser cookbook due to be published soon. The cookbook celebrates the library's 100 Year of Literacy.

They are asking members of the local community to email their favorites recipes to actonpublib@gmail.com with the word recipe in the subject line. According to Elise Miller, Library Director," by locals, they mean all who share Acton's community and lakes from far and near." Please sign the email with the name you want to appear in the cookbook.

The cookbook will be sold in digital and print formats. Pre-orders will begin soon.

If you would like to contribute to this fundraiser, submit your recipes by Nov. 2 and call the library with any questions at 636-2781. Acton Public Library has temporarily changed its hours due to COVID-19. New hours are Wed. and Fri. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and Thurs. Evenings 4 - 7 p.m. Masks are required, and you will need to make an appointment if you need to visit the library. Curbside is still offered to those who prefer this method.

Please recycle ♻️

Library news

Acton Public Library has announced a new seminar for teens and young adults called "Adulting Life Skills on Political Literacy" instructed by Jennifer Roux, Acton Town Administrator, and Shapleigh Selectman. These Adulting Life Seminars are held throughout the year. The Seminar will be held on Oct. 24 from 10:00 am to 11:30 and will be held at the Town Hall, 35 H Road. The attendees will learn how to understand local government and town meetings and how to get involved. Call or email to register as space is limited. The Seminar a free of charge, and of course, attendees will be required to wear a mask and be aware of social distancing.

SHAPLEIGH

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Community Library

The Shapleigh Community Library, 607 Shapleigh Corner Rd., reopened on Oct. 13. You may now make appointments once again for browsing by calling the library at 636-3630 and for curbside pick up.

Absentee Voting

Absentee ballots for the General Election have been mailed out this week. You can mail them back to the Town Hall, 22 Back Road, in the envelope provided or deliver them in person, and do not forget to put your signature on the back of the envelope. A mail slot has been created to safely and securely return your ballots on the left side of the main entrance. A voting booth has been placed at the town hall for those who would like to complete their absentee ballot in person and return it to the Town Clerk.

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Obituaries

Susan Rhodes

Susan Rhodes, age 69, of Waterboro, passed away on Oct. 10, 2020 at Maine Medical Center from complications of diabetes.



Susan Rhodes

Susan was born Sept. 10, 1951, the daughter of Babe and Pauline Morrill. She spent her childhood in Alfred, eventually moving to Waterboro and graduating from Sanford High School in 1969. Sue went on to cosmetology school, briefly owning her own beauty shop. She married Kenneth Rhodes on July 8, 1978.

Sue was well known as a cook at Massabesic High School where she worked for many years and was well loved by the students. She enjoyed baking, knitting, and

camping at Bunganut Lake, where her family camped for many years amongst friends.

She is predeceased by her parents and younger brother Gary Morrill. She is survived by Kenny, her husband of 42 years, son Dustin Rhodes, daughter Amanda Mackell (and her husband Ken and their sons Cullen and Grady), brother Allan Morrill, sister-in-laws Christine Morrill and Nancy Morrill and nephews Adam Morrill and Stephen Morrill.

Public visitation will be held on Friday Oct. 16 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Chad E. Poitras Cremation and Funeral Service Chapel, 498 Long Plains Road (Rt. 22) in Buxton. A private funeral for the family will follow at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will follow at the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery. Be mindful of reopening restrictions, distancing and masks.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you please consider donating to the American Diabetes Association at <https://www.diabetes.org>.

Regan Matthew McCleary

Regan Matthew McCleary (Regs), age 19, passed away unexpectedly on Sept. 26, 2020 in Orono.



Regan Matthew McCleary

He was born in Portland, Maine on Dec. 25, 2000, the son of Matthew and Kendra McCleary.

Regan attended Buxton Center Elementary School, Bonny Eagle Middle School, and Bonny Eagle High School. He graduated in the top ten percent of his class.

After graduating from the Bonny Eagle High School Class of 2019, he went on to attend the School of Engineering at the University of Maine, majoring in mechanical engineering. Regan was the recipient of the UMaine Presidential Award, UMaine Director's Award, and the Alton S. and Adelaide B. Hamm Scholarship. He was on the Dean's List for the Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 semesters.

Regan recently was employed for Boiling Spring Landscaping in Dayton. He previously worked at Plato's Closet in South Portland and McCleary Building in Buxton.

Regan enjoyed hiking, fishing, basketball, soccer, and spending time with friends and family. He attended Good News Club, AWANA, youth group at West Buxton Baptist

Church, and worshipped at various churches in the area.

Regan grew up playing soccer for the Bonny Eagle Soccer Club, various premier soccer clubs, and was a four-year member of the Bonny Eagle High School Varsity Boys Soccer team. He was the recipient of the Most Improved Player Award and the 2018 Most Dedicated Player Award. Regan was named to the SMAA All Academic Team in 2018. He continued his love for soccer, playing on intramural teams as a freshman at UMaine.

While he was a member of the Bonny Eagle High School Jazz Band, he won accolades for his saxophone solo performances in the District and State Jazz Band Festival.

Regan is survived by his mother Kendra (Lunn) McCleary; his father Matthew McCleary; a brother Aidan McCleary; and a sister Fiona McCleary; grandparents Thomas and Valerie Lunn of Buxton; grandmother Linda McCleary of Old Orchard Beach; several aunts, uncles, cousins, and many friends who were like brothers to him.

A public visitation was held at the Gorham Sports Center in Gorham with burial to follow at a future date at the South Buxton Cemetery. Online condolences messages can be submitted at www.maine-funeral.com.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Bonny Eagle Soccer Boosters, P.O. Box 43, Buxton, ME 04093.

H. Chester Brown

H. Chester Brown, 89, "Chet" of Lyman, Maine passed away on Oct. 1, 2020, at the Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough, with his loving wife and family by his side.



H. Chester Brown

Chet was born on Nov. 11, 1930 at home in West Kennebunk, the eleventh of twelve children born to Walter D. and Olive M. (Paul) Brown.

Chet was a U. S. Navy Veteran and was assigned to the USS Worcester. He married the love of his life, Harriett Bodycote, in August of 1949. For many years he worked as a truck driver for Bancroft & Martin. He also worked for Sanders Associated in N.H. and he was employed as a custodian for Massabesic High School, for close to 10 years. After retiring he worked for York County Community Action in Sanford.

Chet was a faithful servant of God. He was a Sunday School Superintendent and worship leader for many years.

He is lovingly survived by his wife Harriet, and four sons, Danny and his wife Judy, Larry and his wife Donna, and Timothy, and one sister, Regina Eaton of West Kennebunk. Chet is also survived by 11 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by one granddaughter.

Chet is resting with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

A funeral service for his immediate family will be held and burial with military honors will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Alfred.

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Clifford Krolick Maine House 21

We're All Living Through an Era of Unprecedented Change.

It's not like me to do this. But it's time for all of us to make some decisions and step out of our comfort zone. **I'm running for the Maine House of Representatives in District 21, which consists of Alfred, Parsonsfield, Limerick, Newfield and Shapleigh.**

You will always know where I stand in Augusta. I can't be bought or sold by wealthy interests. I work for you, and us. Always.

I'm a person of integrity and decency. I do what I say I will. I am a man of my word. Freedom, Liberty, and Democracy cannot survive without honesty and transparency in government. My campaign is being paid out of my pocket, alongside many local people making small, grassroots contributions. I'm running as a Democrat, but I'm an independent Mainer at heart. I've lived in Parsonsfield for 50 years now. I've raised my children here, built my own home here, and have been a small business owner for decades.

I am proud to have the following endorsements of state organizations that serve hard working Mainers:

Maine AFL-CIO, Maine Education Association, Maine People's Alliance, Equality Maine, Maine Conservation Voters, Sierra Club Maine, and Senate Candidate Betsy Sweet. I would welcome your support too.

I'm a staunch supporter of science, women's rights, and a wholesome public education that meets the needs of our students while encouraging them to build a life here in Maine. We need young people to stay in Maine. We also need to break the chains of our current foreign owned for-profit electricity utility CMP. They are spending our money fighting against us in court. I believe we can purchase CMP and form a nonprofit consumer owned power company, saving millions on our electricity bills. It works in Nebraska, it can work here in Maine too.

In the throngs of this pandemic, it has become perfectly clear that we cannot leave health care to one's employer. The mass job loss we have experienced statewide has led to a mass loss of health-care. I believe all Mainers need good, quality healthcare, from birth to death, not tied to their employer. This model will also encourage our young people to remain in Maine and start their own businesses, like I once did. Furthermore, the state should also sponsor an emergency fund. This state-wide retroactive stimulus would help many people laid off or lost jobs.

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The Town of Shapleigh is now accepting bids for **2021 GROUND MAINTENANCE for Shapleigh Commons, Town Hall and Library.**

The Selectmen are looking for a bid price for 1 year and 3 years. Bids must include itemized pricing on each of the following items:

- Spring clean up
- Mowing, trimming, and bagging (weekly mowing required May-October) base price on 26 mowings. Lawn clippings must be removed from property.
- Bark Mulch around the flower boxes, trees and shrubs
- Raking
- Trimming/edging along the walkway and on top of the service of the walkway in the Shapleigh Commons
- Fall clean up

Please clearly mark on envelope: "Commons, Town Hall and Library Bid."

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN NO LATER THAN: 4:00 PM TUESDAY, October 27,2020

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. If you have any further questions call 636-2843 ext 0.

Mail Bid to: Board of Selectmen, PO Box 26, Shapleigh, ME 04076

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TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH Town Report Printing Bid

The Town of Shapleigh is seeking price proposals for the printing of our 2020 Town Report. Please submit a price quote to the **Town of Shapleigh, Town Report Printing Bid, PO Box 26, Shapleigh, ME 04076. Deadline: Friday, October 23, 2020.**

Bid request:

- Front/Back Cover
 - Cost for a black/white cover.
 - Cost for a colored cover with black lettering.
- Annual Report
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- Warrant Insert
 - Approximately 20 pages that are two sided on pastel colored paper with black lettering.

• Please quote separately on quantities of 500, 1,000 and 1,200.

• Finished product will be 8½"x 11", bound together with saddle stitch. If another method of binding is to be used, please specify in your quote a detailed explanation of method.

Any other questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact the Town Administrator at (207) 636-2843, Ext. 0. The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Shapleigh Board of Selectmen

NOTICES

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH Invitation to Bid

The Town of Shapleigh is now accepting bids for **2021 GROUND MAINTENANCE for Recreational Sports Fields.**

The Selectmen are looking for a bid price for 1 year and 3 years. Bids must include itemized pricing on each of the following items:

- Spring clean up
- Mowing, trimming, and bagging (weekly mowing required May-October) base price on 26 mowings per field and grass removed from property
- Raking
- Mowing twice a year on the Robinson Trail behind the sports fields
- Fall clean up

Please clearly mark on envelope: "Sports Fields Bid."

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OPINION LETTERS

Heidi Sampson – Civility

In an era where we more frequently see each other as inanimate objects, open to disrespect, attack and destruction, I want to express my appreciation for a decent human that courageously represent Mainers.

It strains credibility these days to call ourselves a "society", as we've seemed to have lost the ability to "see" each other through the suffocating haze of misinformation, gaslighting, fear, and rage.

The opposite of society (which we are undoubtedly becoming), expresses itself as loneliness, disconnection, social isolation, othering, division, expulsion, stigmatization, and coldheartedness. These experiences manifest the very addictions, suicides, and violent domestic acts that hurt all Mainers.

I see character and conviction in Representative Sampson, a Mainer who has consistently been OPEN TO ALL OPINIONS whether she agrees with them personally or not, engages constituents to UNDERSTAND DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES, uses her LIFE EXPERIENCES as a farmer and educator, and applies RATIONAL SOLUTIONS to the problems we face here in Maine. She speaks freely, does not manipulate, does not fall in line with groupthink, and exhibits bravery in a state government largely devoid of these qualities.

At the expense of her family and her business, Heidi's current and prior efforts as a part-time, underpaid representative of roughly 8,300+ constituents include: Unceasing advocacy for the interests of students through career,

technical, engineering, biology, life skills, civic and international education, as well as encouraging the ability for students to be able to read and write cursive; Increasing healthcare choice, access, and affordability; Preventing bullying by children, teens, and adults alike; Honoring Mainers who fought against slavery; Supporting African American history and holocaust/genocide education; Lowering cost of living burdens on Mainers in one of the highest taxed and oppressive states in the country; Removing government waste, tax misappropriation, unethical behavior, and taxpayer abuse; and Reducing partisan control over the representation of Mainer's.

You'd be hard pressed to count on one hand the number of government representatives in Maine that exhibit FREE WILL and have the best interest of the people at heart. Heidi Sampson is one of the few independent thinkers in Augusta, and it has been a pleasure and an honor to know her.

Despite misleading statements about Heidi Sampson, she is not an establishment, anti-vaccination, anti-science, partisan, radical beast who gorges on corporate money, shuts down state legislatures and makes kids cry.

Let's set the online feral tribalism aside this November and work toward physically "seeing" the human being right in front of us that Mainers will choose to represent them in District 21.

From one of "those" independent (unenrolled) voters who make up 70 percent of Maine and 70 percent of the nation.

-Dan Davis
Porter

Support for Krolick

Clifford Krolick, a Progressive Democrat from Parsonsfield, is running against Populist Republican Heidi Sampson from Alfred to be the Maine House Representative for District 21.

As a retired teacher, a property owner and a citizen, I'm supporting Cliff because he has worked tirelessly for an affordable and quality health care system for Maine. He has supported the COVID-19 protocols against increasing opposition from short-sighted business interests and demagogues. Sampson, by contrast, sponsored an Anti-Vaccination Citizens Referendum and organized protests against the protocols.

Cliff supports the on-going reforms occurring in our public schools while Sampson has been an outspoken critic and obstructionist to those reforms. She has written articles critical of Proficiency Base Instruction, opposed school nutrition subsidies, and is an advocate for both charter schools and voucher programs that inevitably benefit the rich and influential elites of our communities.

Cliff will work to affect equitable taxation system and to construct the state's share of a school budget that doesn't load the entire burden onto the shoulders of local property owners. This, and the state's share of MPERS contributions was attempted during the LePage era with the support of Republican legislators like Sampson.

Please consider Cliff Krolick for our next Maine House Representative in District 21.

-John M. Flagler
Alfred

The road ahead

Sometimes we need to look back to see where we are going. We are a nation in free fall. We have lost our moral compass. We are losing our identity both at home and globally.

An old "Proverb" states a house divided cannot stand. We are a nation extremely divided. If we do not turn back, we will surely fall. America, once the greatest nation on earth fed the world, provided funds for nations in financial distress, fought on foreign soil and was an open door to the world. God truly blessed America. Our founding fathers were all God-fearing men and dedicated this nation on God given principles and values. Hence forth God Bless America. No other nation on earth has been so blessed.

Consequently, we have turned away from God and we are in harms way. Our national debt has sky rocketed, personal debt is out of control, the crime across our land runs rampant. Drug abuse, alcoholism, sex trafficking, killing of innocent babies (with no voice of their own), homelessness and on and on and on.

We have seen the signs on the sides of our roads "Justice Now" and we are being reminded that is exactly what is happening. Justice is being served, it is called Judgement.

Our nation is under judgement from 9/11 to the 20/20 pandemic and all the other horrific events in between. What we once called evil is now accepted as good and what we once knew as good is now called evil.

Our problems cannot be re-

solved by republicans or democrats or any other government entity or the institution of higher education or the financial or medical industry. No, our problem is a moral issue and lack of values.

As we sit in the midst of this pandemic, let us not condemn it but learn from it. Stop, look, listen, it is time to turn back to restore our God given principles and values.

Our very existence depends on it, our kids and grandkids futures depend on it.

Will we seize this opportunity or ignore it, the time is now, or America, the land of the free, the home of the brave will be gone.

Every empire that rose to the level of a world power or leader existed 200-250 years.

America has been 244 years (1776-2020)

As I finish this I am reminded of the "Titanic". As the ship was going down the passengers were dancing and partying in the ballroom.

Then the unsinkable Titanic was no more.

-Don Manuel
Alfred

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